Application No. 10/617,384

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-5 are rejected as failing to define the invention in the manner

required by 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Drawings

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with

the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant must assume that the drawings are

acceptable as filed.

New Claims

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claims 1-5 and has added new

claims 6-8 to this application. It is believed that the new claims specifically set forth

each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

In the absence of any art cited against Applicant's original claims 1-5, it not

believed that any detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is necessary.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this

application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully

requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best

be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's

local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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